

The Maine Farmer: An Agricultural and Family Newspaper.

Items of General News.

The Markets.

BOSTON, WEDNESDAY, August 4.

England will send 5000 troops to Afghanistan as soon as practicable.

The Irish relief bill has passed the House of Lords.

H. Cushman, president of the defense National bank of Georgetown, Col., is wanted for embezzeling \$100,000.

The orange grove of Mrs Harriet Beecher Stowe, at Mandarin, on the St. Johns, Florida, yielded last year \$2000 to the acre.

Philadelphia, steamer City of Vikingsburg valued at \$50,000, sank at Ashton, Tenn., last week with a valuable cargo of merchandise.

A new silver vault is to be built at the Philadelphia Mint. It will be lined with solid plates and measure 20 by 22 feet.

Two new 5,000 dollar Standard silver dollars, weighing 150 tons.

The public debt statement shows a decrease during July of \$3,576,034.11. The amount of interest paid is \$2,153.80.

\$80,167.13 total cash in treasury, \$188,845.20.

The census of Minnesota shows the population of the State to be 780,072, an increase of 10,000 over 1870. The greatest increase is in the 3d Congressional district, which has more than doubled in population.

It is said that Ottawa and Vanderbilt is negotiating for the lease of the North Shore Railway, and push on the construction of the Coteau Landing Railway, all in opposition to the Grand Trunk interests.

At the International Educational Congress to be held in Brussels, Belgium, on August 1, admission of the United States to the instruction will preside.

From Jan. 1, 1880, the Friday noon, 30th of July, there will be in New York a Correspondent of the American Press, who will receive a steer or steer's freight on one forward mail.

This prevents the hoist from spreading, and consequently renders futile any attempts of the animal to stand.

Don't be in a haste to take the chickens out of the nest. Let them better off quietly before you do. Wait till you see the little bright eyes peeping out. Hungry insects are the natural food of the young.

Two carloads of merino sheep were shipped a few days ago from Vermont to Montana. The stock was said to be the best in the state, and it goes by rail to Missoula, Dakota, and Denver, and thence by wagon to the famous Yellowstone Valley. This is enterprise, surely.

Jerusalem, according to British consular reports, has increased its population of late years. The country is now estimated at 15,000, including native Jews, at 10,000 in 1872.

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